



MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE  
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Agenda item 10

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## SAFETY OF NAVIGATION

### Recommended tracks for navigation of certain ships Off the Coast of California

#### Note by the United States

#### SUMMARY

**Executive summary:** The Sub-Committee on Safety of Navigation at its forty-fifth session, approved a United States proposal for recommended tracks Off the Coast of California for ships of 300 gross tonnage and above and for ships carrying hazardous cargo in bulk. The Sub-Committee could only approve the proposal if the United States agreed to establish two separate recommended tracks for ships carrying hazardous cargo instead of the single track originally proposed. In verifying the geographic positions for the added track, several discrepancies were found. This Note provides the verified geographic positions for the routeing measure.

**Action to be taken:** Paragraph 2.

**Related documents:** NAV 45/3/4, NAV 45/14, annex 3.

1 Having agreed to the modifications to its proposal for recommended tracks Off the Coast of California for ships of 300 gross tonnage and above and for ships carrying hazardous cargo in bulk, the United States requested the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to verify the geographic positions of the routeing measure. Using a computation routine for distance and bearing, the geographic positions were recalculated and the corrections to NAV 45/14, annex 3 are listed below.

- Reference charts should read as follows "NOAA 18022, 18680"
- Paragraph 2.1 should read "37° 10'.85 N; 122° 43'.87 W (16 miles off Pigeon Point)"
- Paragraph 3.2 should read "37° 10'.81 N; 122° 55'.14 W (25 miles off Pigeon Point)"
- Paragraph 4.1 should read "37° 10'.78 N; 123° 01'.39 W (30 miles off Pigeon Point)"

- Paragraph 4.2 should read "36° 18'.24 N; 122° 31'.35 W (30 miles off Point Sur)"

**Action requested of the Committee**

2 The Committee is requested to affirm the decision of the Sub-Committee on Safety of Navigation and adopt the recommended tracks Off the Coast of California for ships of 300 gross tonnage and above and for ships carrying hazardous cargo in bulk, taking into account the changes listed above.

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